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PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

UNITED STATES.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Report from Pittsburg, Pa.—Status of enteric fever.

The following is received from Surgeon Smith, under date of June 26, in continuation of his report on enteric fever in Pittsburg, published in Public Health Reports, February 22, page 191:

Comparative table, 1906 and 1907.

	1906.		1907.	
	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
January.....	328	48	567	48
February.....	306	33	298	31
March.....	428	49	165	37
April.....	834	78	199	26
May.....	394	51	312	40
Total.....	2, 290	259	1, 541	182

There was, in the latter part of the winter, a series of freshets in the Allegheny and Monongahela rivers, culminating in the middle of March in the greatest flood ever known in this locality. These freshets not only washed the watersheds clean, but diluted enormously the sewage and other impurities in the rivers. The dilution no longer exists, and during the current month enteric fever has increased. The first 2 weeks of June show 213 cases and 16 deaths. The increase is large among the poorer classes, who live in very crowded quarters. The work on the city filtration plant is making good progress.

STATISTICAL REPORTS OF MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY, STATES AND CITIES OF THE UNITED STATES—UNTABULATED.

CALIFORNIA—*Sacramento*.—Month of May, 1907. Estimated population, 40,000. Total number of deaths, 46, including enteric fever 1, measles 1, scarlet fever 1, and 4 from phthisis pulmonalis. Cases of contagious diseases reported: Measles 4.

CONNECTICUT—*New Haven*.—Year ended December 31, 1906. Estimated population, 120,000. Total number of deaths, 2,321, including diphtheria 47, enteric fever 63, measles 32, scarlet fever 1, whooping cough 36, and 217 from tuberculosis. Cases of contagious diseases reported: Diphtheria 318, enteric fever 265, and scarlet fever 126.

FLORIDA.—Reports to the State board of health for the week ended June 22, 1907, show as follows: Enteric fever—*Jacksonville*, 5 cases; *Tampa*, 3 cases; *Arcadia* and *Daytona*, each 1 case. Tuberculosis—*Ocala*, *Tampa*, and *Tallahassee*, each 1 case.

ILLINOIS—*Rockford*.—Month of May, 1907. Estimated population, 43,000. Total number of deaths, 37, including enteric fever 1, whooping cough 1, and 3 from tuberculosis. Cases of contagious diseases reported: Diphtheria 4 and scarlet fever 16.

MINNESOTA.—Month of April, 1907. Estimated population, 1,979,658. Reports to the State board of health show as follows: Total number of deaths, 1,314, including diphtheria 20, enteric fever 16, measles 9, scarlet fever 8, whooping cough 12, and 151 from tuberculosis. Deaths reported from State institutions during the month numbered 45, including diphtheria 1 and 13 from tuberculosis.

Minneapolis.—Month of May, 1907. Estimated population, 285,000. Total number of deaths, 292, including diphtheria 1, enteric fever 9, scarlet fever 2, and 38 from tuberculosis. Cases of contagious diseases reported: Diphtheria 35, enteric fever 17, scarlet fever 57, smallpox 58, and tuberculosis 29.

UTAH.—Month of May, 1907. Reports to the State board of health from 27 counties, having an estimated population of 346,873, show as follows: Total number of deaths 285, including diphtheria 6, enteric fever 2, scarlet fever 1, whooping cough 12, and 12 from tuberculosis. Cases of contagious diseases reported: Diphtheria 50, enteric fever 17, measles 176, scarlet fever 31, smallpox 22, whooping cough 178, and tuberculosis 19 (incomplete).

WASHINGTON—*Seattle*.—Month of May, 1907. Estimated population, 200,000. Total number of deaths, 166, including diphtheria 1, enteric fever 1, and 15 from tuberculosis. Cases of contagious diseases reported: Diphtheria 17, enteric fever 3, measles 26, scarlet fever 21, smallpox 26, and tuberculosis 11.

WISCONSIN—*Manitowoc*.—Two weeks ended June 22, 1907. Estimated population, 13,500. Total number of deaths, 14, including 1 from tuberculosis. Cases of contagious diseases reported: Diphtheria 3, enteric fever 1, smallpox 1, and tuberculosis 1.